

St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church Newsletter

October 10, 2024

21st Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday morning

10/13/2024

Week 5 of 6 week series "Who We Are!"

Lead Pastor J.R. Virgin

Will present the sermon

"We Are Disciples Who Make Disciples"

8:45 a.m. (Sanctuary) and 11:15 a.m. (Sanctuary) – Traditional Services

Preaching Pastor Len Kircher

"We Are Disciples Who Make Disciples"

11:00 a.m. (Berly) – Modern Service

For information about Sunday Worship Service go to the website page

<https://spwmethodist.org/sunday-worship-services/>.

Each Service will be live streamed via the church's YouTube channel.

The link to our YouTube channel is:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2_rB7vyTH5FmKjYMKILTSg

You can only see the livestream from YouTube.

The recorded services will be available on our Sermons webpage

<http://spwmethodist.org/sermons/> following each Service as well as on

YouTube. They will be shared with the church Facebook friends later.

Sermon Text: Hebrews 5:11-6:3 (NIV)

11 We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you because you no longer try to understand. 12 In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! 13 Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. 14 But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

6 Therefore let us move beyond the elementary teachings about Christ and be taken forward to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death,[a] and of faith in God, 2 instruction about cleansing rites,[b] the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment. 3 And God permitting, we will do so.

Message From Pastor JR

Week 4 of the Who We Are! sermon series brings us to the statement, "We are invitational!" In my experience, church growth happens mostly through word of mouth. When people are excited about their church, they are more likely to tell their families and friends about what is happening. Just like when we see a good movie or go to a good restaurant, we are inclined to share the good things we've experienced. We here at St. Paul's Waccamaw have quite a bit to be excited about. God is doing amazing things in our midst. The presence of the Holy Spirit is palpable during worship, bible study and even meetings as we move into the future God has for us. There is excitement because new life has been breathed into the ministry of St. Paul's Waccamaw. With all that is happening at our church, there are new opportunities being created. There are multiple bible studies every week. New groups are being planned to give new opportunities for involvement in a variety of ministries. A third Sunday morning worship service has been created. We have prayed for rain and now we are preparing the fields to receive it. It's time for us to get excited about what God is doing in our midst. It's time for us to be intentional about inviting people to join us in what God is doing. The movement of God is not something we should hide and keep to ourselves, rather it should be shared with all who will hear. God is working in our midst not so we can simply feel good about how awesome our church has become, rather God is working in our midst so that we can lead others into a deeper relationship with God for themselves. God is not building our church for the sake of building the church. God is building our church so that His Kingdom will be built through our witness. Let us join God in the work of Kingdom Building by inviting others to experience what God is doing in our midst.

The Best of All Is...God Is With Us!

Pastor J.R.

New Members Class

I will be starting a new members class soon. If you are interested in taking this class, please email the office at: office@spwmethodist.org or call 843-237-2294.

Thank you,
Pastor JR

Need Volunteers With Live Streaming

We are looking for people interested in learning to operate our livestreaming and presentation software for the worship services at St. Paul's Waccamaw. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

Weekly Bible Reading:

October 13-Psalm 119:73-80; Jeremiah 24-25; John 8:1-30

October 14-Psalm 119:81-88; Jeremiah 26-27; John 8:31-59

October 15-Psalm 119:89-96; Jeremiah 28-29; John 9

October 16-Psalm 119:97-104; Jeremiah 30-31; John 10:1-21

October 17-Psalm 119:105-112; Jeremiah 32-33; John 10:22-42

October 18-Psalm 119:113-120; Jeremiah 34-35; John 11:1-37

October 19—Psalm 119:121-128; Jeremiah 36-37; John 11:38-57

Our Faithfulness Sunday, October 6, 2024

8:45 Service 139; on line viewers 98 (as of 10/09/24); 11:00 Service 67; on line viewers 102 (as of (10/09/24); 11:15 Service 55; Sunday School 11

The Sunday School Classes will meet October 13, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

NOTE: The Friendship Class, Youth Building, New Sunday School class called the Truth Seekers, Discovery Classroom.

NOTE: Please turn off coffee pots, lights and make sure doors are locked when you leave the building.

Need Communion Servers for 8:45 a.m.

Communion Servers are needed at the 8:45 a.m. service. If you are able to serve, please contact Jan Finnical at 843-315-4063 or email: janfinnical@gmail.com. Thank you!

Need Greeter's for all Church services. If you are interested in becoming a Greeter, please see Alisa Chapella or call or text her at 803-960-2791.

Family Pumpkin Painting, Sunday, October 27, 2024, 12:15 pm – 1:30 pm. (Bring Your Own Family Pumpkin). We will provide small pumpkins so you can have a pumpkin family. We will have: supplies for painting, lunch, games and pumpkin fun. Come join the fun. Please let Miss Pam know if you can come.

NIVlive

NIVlive Audio Bible Complete Bible on Audio CDs has been donated to our church library. “A dramatic performance featuring award-winning artists and today’s most renowned pastors.” This is such a blessing to have in our library for anyone to use.

Name Tags

If you ordered a new name tag, please pick up yours this coming Sunday at the 8:45 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service. If you did not order a name tag, and would like one, please fill out the little sign up sheet that will be provided on the table near the name tags and place it in the offering plate. **A Big Thank You to Juanita Matos for printing the Name Tags!!**

Our Little Garden Child Care

Our Little Garden Child Care at the early service will be open upon request. Please notify one of the ushers.

We are excited to nurture your little one's faith with God's love. If you would like to volunteer helping in the Nursery, please let Pam Carson know.

A Message From James Gang

Dear Congregation,

Before we spend money to purchase a 10-12 foot trailer to house and haul all the tools needed for our charity projects, the James Gang would like to ask if anyone knows of a trailer in good shape that is either for sale or could be donated to us for our worthy work. If you know of such a trailer please let Alice in the office know.

Thank you,
James Gang for Jesus

Financial Aid for Hurricane Helene Devastated Parts of the Southeast

If you want to give financial assistance to help in NC, we recommend giving through Samaritans Purse’s website. If you give to SC, there is a link on the Global Methodist Church website.

Church Website Update

We are in the process of updating our church website and repairing links which are not working. Also, if you have any suggestions for our web site or you notice pages which need to be updated, please contact Fred Harris at 856-381-5951 or fharris39@gmail.com

Thank you so much,
Fred Harris

LIVE STREAMING AVAILABLE

Reminder that live streaming of our services are available on YouTube especially during inclement weather.

Missions Fundraiser Drive

We will continue to sell the Car Window Decals. If you want to pick up your Decal for \$5.00 Please stop by the Church Office and see Alice. "Your support can help us provide comfort and hope to those in need".

Counseling: on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10am-1pm, there will be a counselor available by appointment. If you are in need of someone to talk with, this is a great opportunity to speak with an accredited professional, free of charge. Please contact Fran Keller at 843-833-3980 with any questions or to schedule an appointment.

Church Flower Calendar for 2024

You can email the office or call the office to start signing up for the Church Flower Calendar for 2024. This is a good way to honor someone, celebrate an anniversary, birthday, etc. on Sunday mornings.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The SPW Methodist Women would appreciate the support from the congregation again this year for Operation Christmas Child. Please take a box or boxes to fill for a child in need. They are available in the Narthex and Berly Hall from October 6th thru November 10th. Deadline to return filled boxes is **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH**. If you prefer not to shop to fill a box, but would like to support this mission, donations are welcomed. We will shop and fill a box for you. To donate or if you have questions, contact Patty Younts at 843-902-9304 or Donna Schmidt at 843-222-6827.

Building a Walkway Brick by Brick Project

The walkway will be called "**We Walk by Faith**"

The Church is now undertaking the building of a memorial brick walkway to the site of the Jesus, The Teacher Statue and Flower Garden.

We need your help!

We are asking you to support us and purchase a beautifully engraved grey brick to pave the way to the statue and garden.

Dedicate your personalized brick to honor or memorialize loved ones. The bricks will be placed in the walkway as a lifetime reminder that will be seen by current and future members of the Church.

Dave & Juanita Matos will be in Berly Hall during the Sunday School hour to help anyone in need of assistance filing out the Order Form or in need of additional information about the project.

VOTING INFORMATION

There are 3 ways to cast your Vote:

- 1) Absentee Ballot
- 2) Early Voting
- 3) Vote on Election Day Nov. 5 at your Precinct

ABSENTEE BALLOT

There are 2 ways to request an Absentee Ballot Application:

- 1) Call the Voter Registration and Elections Office or
- 2) In-person

Voter Registration and Elections Office
303 N. Hazard Street
Georgetown, SC 29440
(843) 545-3339

EARLY VOTING

Early Voting is October 21 through November 2 (excluding Sundays)

8:30 am – 6:00 pm

Locations:

Andrews Recreational Center
220 S. Cedar Ave., Andrews, SC

Choppee Recreational Center
8259 Choppee Rd., Georgetown, SC

Waccamaw Regional Recreational Center
83 Duncan Ave., Pawleys Island, SC

Voter Registration and Election Office
303 N. Hazard St., Georgetown, SC

NOVEMBER 5 – ELECTION DAY

General Election Day November 5

7:00 am – 7:00pm

At your regular voting precinct
To verify you voter information,

visit [SCVOTES.gov/voters/](https://scvotes.gov/voters/)

Bible Studies:

Monday Bible Study on Roundtable: A Journey Through Romans starting October 7, 2024, Discovery Classroom, 6:00 p.m. Led by Thomas Gullede. Please email the church office at office@spwmethodist.org if you would like to sign up or email Thomas Gullede at Thomas.gullede@spectralSC.com.

The Men's Bible Study meets every Thursday at 8:00 a.m. in the Youth Building. Led by Bruce Stelow.

Thursday Bible Study on Philippians , Youth Building at 10:00 a.m. Led by Gay Kelly.

Thursday Bible Study on The Daniel Plan-40 Days to a Healthier Life, Youth Building, 6:00 p.m., Led by Dr. Victoria Smith.

Tuesday Bible Study on Created to Dream begins October 1st at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Building. (class limit 12-sign up in the office) Led by John Finnical.

Monday Bible Study on Romans Roundtable: A Journey Through Romans, October 7, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., Discovery Classroom.

Committee Meetings & Work of the Church:

Silent Auction Follow-up meeting, Tuesday, October 14, 2024, 5:00 p.m., Youth Building.

Finance Committee meeting, Tuesday, October 15, 2024, 6:00 p.m., Discovery Classroom.

Home Communion Outreach Ministry

Every Communion Sunday, usually the first Sunday of every month, you may have noticed little red boxes on the altar table. These boxes are faithfully prepared by Shirley Hutcheson to be used by the volunteers who take communion to our shut-ins. Pastor JR blesses them when he blesses all the communion elements. Please let Alice or Bleeker Cannon know if you know of anyone who would like to be a part of the Home Communion Ministry. This has been a welcomed outreach ministry of St. Paul's Waccamaw for many through the years.

Chancel Choir Practice

Chancel Choir meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Handbells meet Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.

Students in the Word

Students in the Word meet 7:30 a.m. – 2:45 p.m., Mon. – Thursday (old Friendship & wings classrooms) and Friday in the Youth Building.

AA

AA meets Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the Joy Classroom.

District 82 AA, every 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. in the Joy Classroom.

Please let me know if I need to remove, change, or add to the following Prayer, Birthday or Anniversary list. Also, if you have a meeting coming up or an event or event article that needs to go in the newsletter, please email me at the

Church Office: office@spwmethodist.org

Thank you, Alice

Prayer Concerns/Church Family & Friends

Susan Walters
Josie Shehane
Marion Parsons
Eva Baxter
Mark Lange
Linda Chevine
Yvonne Moran
Dan Wetsel
Bob Maffa
Jann Bullock
Herb Herrman

Sheila Baxter (daughter in law of Eva Baxter)
Ann Sarver
Dottie Wright
Lee Horton
Ryan Heck (a friend of Betty & Henry Jobe)
Rosemary Beaver (a friend of Keri Geddings)
Ashley Calhoun (Karen Calhoun's nephew's wife)
Corky & Mary Raab (friends of Betty Jobe)
George Schmidt (Colleen Welch's dad)
Sandy Lowder (a friend of Alice Cochran)
Anne Miller (a friend of Phillip and Peggy Cusick)
Linda Boswell (Sandy Thompson's sister)
Billy McGill (son of Carolyn McGill)
Michael Williams (Nancy Hall's son)
Corby & Brian Kennison (friends of Peggy & Phillip Cusick)
Rick Bruce (a friend of Peggy & Phillip Cusick)
A friend of – did not want to name (Peggy & Phillip Cusick)
Jerry Payne (Susan) Marie Beaver (Carl) Jim Richardson (Betsy) (friends of Jon Stuckey)
Denise (a friend of Harriet and David Moore)
Tina Licari (a friend of James & Leslie Hare)
Allie Johnson (Age 7, 2 types of leukemia, severe reactions to treatment)
Vicki Medlin (a cousin of JD & Sandi Whitmire)
Stephen Johnston (son of Ron & Ruth Johnston)
Sue Hawkins (a friend of JD & Sandi Whitmire)
Roxanna Earp (daughter of Nancy Wetsel)
Tracy (a friend of Leslie Hare)
Marnie Heck (a friend of Henry & Betty Jobe)
Robert "Bobby" Nave (James & Leslie Hare's cousin)
Garvin Gilley
Johanna Morrison
Tina Kolb (a close friend of James & Leslie Hare)

Diana (a friend of John & Nancy Hall)
Eva (a friend of Janis & Mark Lange; missing)
Dan Litton (a friend of JD Whitmire)
Carolee Bryant
George Leyendecker's sister
Sarah Wilson (Jan Estabrook's friend)
Sue Panos
Ofelia and Jorge Beltran (friends with JD and Sandi Whitmire)
Kerry Lennard (friend of Keith Black)
Milia Black (Keith Black's mother)
Judy Ellis

October Birthdays

Forrest Meiere	10/12
Selma Piver	10/13
James Bodemann	10/16
Jewell Clark	10/16
Ramah Carle	10/17
Elijah Virgin	10/17
Nancy Truluck	10/18
Ashlyn Cooper	10/20
Mary Wynne Kellett	10/20
Herbert Herrman	10/21
JR Roscher	10/21
Nancy Hall	10/22
Yvonne Moran	10/22
Tom Gullede	10/24
Jim Kemp	10/24
Nancy Wetsel	10/26
Joshua Carlyle	10/27
Delores Cox	10/27
Peggy Muravnick	10/28
Delisa Staton	10/29
Fred Harris	10/30
Carolyn McGill	10/31
Marion Parsons	10/31

October Anniversaries

Robert & Teresa Welsh	10/10
Luke & Lee Bryant	10/17
Rev. J. R. & Allison Virgin	10/20
Jackson & Wanda Freeland	10/23

